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Y Faculty and Execs Direct Canadian Leadership Week

Seven Brigham Young University faculty members and executive officers are currently directing the courses and class work at the fourth annual Canadian Leadership Week in Cardston, Alberta, Canada. The meet, scheduled to end tomorrow, is sponsored by the BYU extension division and is under the direction of Dr. Harold Glen Clark.

BYU participants include President Ernest L. Wilkinson; Dr. Thomas L. Martin, dean of the college of applied science; eld Bankhead, instructor in religion; Dr. John R. Halliday, music department chairman; Bertha Davidson, instructor in elementary education; Georgia Maeser, assistant professor of elementary education; and W. Cleon Skousen, executive alumni secretary and public service director.

Elder Harold B. Lee of the Council of Twelve Apostles also will participate in the Canadian Leadership Week activities.

Intensive courses include Executive Leadership, Music Leadership and Improvement of Teaching. Series courses include The First 2000 Years; The Book of Mormon Series; and the Agriculture Series.

This year's clinic is the fourth to be held in Canada. The first was held in Cardston, the second in Raymond, the third in Lethbridge, and this year is slated for a second year in Cardston. The switched yearly, giving each stake in the area a chance to host the clinic.

Three BYU Studentbody Prexys Are on Campus This Summer

Most universities have only one studentbody president on their campus at one time, but Brigham Young University this summer has three of them—Elmo Turner, LeRoy Porter, and Andrew Douglass.

Elmo Turner was prexy in 1950-51. He was born in Bluffdale and attended Jordan High School in Sandy. He spent four years in the Navy, filled a Brazilian mission, and is now a member of the High Council of West Jordan Stake.

While attending BYU he was a member of Blue Key and Delta Phi. He is currently working toward the Master's degree in education and administration. In the regular school year he teaches in Copperton elementary school.

He was married to Lois Evans, Midvale, in the Salt Lake Temple. They have twin sons, Robin and Randy, aged 14 months.

LeRoy Porter last year's president, is in construction work this summer, and just finished four weeks at ROTC summer camp. His major is sociology, and he has two quarters left before graduating.

His boyhood was spent in Annabella. He graduated from South Sevier High School, Monroe, but has lived in Provo since 1948. He has filled a mission to California and plans to be married in the fall.

Andrew Douglass is the current studentbody president. He has attended BYU for two years and last year he was business manager for the Banyan.

He graduated from high school in Glendale, Calif., and is now majoring in accounting. Andy is a member of Blue Key, Legislative Council, and IOC. Next year, he will be director of public relations on the studentbody council.

Thanks to Dave Forsyth UNIVERSE Editor-Elect

The UNIVERSE wishes to acknowledge the help of Dave Forsyth, editor-elect of the paper for next year, on this issue. Dave is currently working in Salt Lake City for the Deseret News, but found time in his busy schedule to come down and help with page make-up for this issue, in the absence of Richard Pope, summer editor, who is now in Palmyra, N.Y., assisting in the presentation of the Hill Cumorah pageant.

"NOW WHEN I WAS PRESIDENT. . ."—Elmo Turner (standing) and LeRoy Porter compare notes on their administrations as student prexies at Brigham Young Univ.

No UNIVERSE Next Week

There will be no UNIVERSE published next Thursday, Aug. 13. The final issue of the summer session will appear on Tuesday, Aug. 18. Any and all announcements pertaining to activities that week should be in the UNIVERSE office by Wednesday, Aug. 12, in order to be assured of being printed in that issue.

The Editors

18 Graduates Awarded Scholarships

Scholarships made on the basis of high academic achievement have been awarded to 18 Brigham Young University graduate students, according to an announcement made today by Dr. Christen Jensen, acting dean of the graduate school.

Awards went to David L. Clark, Merlin D. Compton, Elizabeth DeWaal, Rue C. Johnson, Roberta Morrisey, and Rex Terry, Provo; Lester Knight and Carl Soderholm, Brigham City; Bonnie Beardall, Springville; Melvin Deardon, Henefer; Homer M. Nelson, Morgan; Jack Bowen, Mesa, Ariz.; James Conis, Palmyra, Va.; Daniel Decker, Snowflake, Ariz.; Bruce Dyer, Portland, Ore.; Herbert N. Morris, Rigby, Ida.; Philip Snelgrove, Pasadena, Calif.; and Bonnie Jean Turner, Beaverton, Ore.

Miss Beardall majored in bacteriology with a bio-chemistry minor. Mr. Bowen majored in finance and banking and minored in economics. Mr. Clark, Mr Deardon, and Mr. Knight all majored in stratography and field geology and minored in economic geology. Mr. Compton's major was Spanish literature, with a minor in Spanish language, and Mr. Conis majored in Spanish with a history minor. Both Mr. Decker and Mr. Snelgrove majored in physics and minored in mathematics. Counseling and guidance was Miss DeWaal's major and she minored in psychology, while Miss Morisey majored in psychology and minored in counseling and guidance. Mr. Dyer and Mr. Sederholm were history majors and political science minors. Mr. Morris majored in journalism and minored in English, and Miss Turner majored in speech with an English minor. Mr. Johnson's major subject was speech and dramatic art.

Excursions Set For IF Temple And SL Library

An excursion to the Idaho Falls Temple is being sponsored tomorrow by the genalogy committee of Campus Branch. Cars will leave the Smith building at 8:45 a.m. The group will return the next day. There will also be a baptismal excursion to Idaho Falls Saturday.

An excursion to the Genealogy Library in Salt Lake City will also take place tomorrow. Buses will leave the Smith building at 12:15 p.m.

BACK AGAIN—Eastern States Mission President, Delbert Taylor, welcomes Dr. Harold I. Hansen on the latter's arrival in Palmyra to direct annual Hill Cumorah pageant.

60 Students Participate In Cumorah Pageant

by Richard L. Pope
UNIVERSE Editor

Tonight over 60 Brigham Young University students under the direction of Harold I. Hansen, head of the University's Speech Department, and in cooperation with the Eastern States missionaries, will begin a three-night run in the twelfth annual Hill Cumorah Pageant, "America's Witness for Christ."

This is the first year that anyone outside the mission field has been allowed to participate. The selected group, under the supervision of Weston Edwards, Dick Pope, and Clyde Ricks, left Provo by chartered bus. On the way to Palmyra they followed the old Pioneer Trail, and viewed such historic places as Fort Bridger, the recently dedicated Mormon Bridge at Omaha, the Kirtland Temple, the Martin Harris and Joseph Smith homes, and the Sacred Grove. On their return will stop at Niagara, New York, Washington, D. C., Carthage, Nauvoo, and Independence.

Student Missionaries

Not only are these special missionaries helping with the pageant, but they also attend intensive study courses, missionary and testimony meetings, and act as guides at the Bureau of Information.

Over 100,000 spectators attended the pageant last year. Because of added publicity, new scenery, finer costumes, television and radio shows, and better technical and staging facilities, an even larger number is expected to witness the spectacle during the next three days.

The history of the pageant can be traced back to 1917 when picnic-pilgrimages were made from Rochester to the Joseph Smith farm and the Sacred Grove where Joseph Smith, as a boy, received his first heavenly manifestation of the Father and the Son. These pilgrimages took place on July 24, in commemoration of Brigham Young's historical entrance into the Salt Lake Valley in Utah.

Under the direction of B. H. Roberts, then president of the Eastern States Mission, a centennial celebration was held September 21, 1923, in remembrance of Joseph Smith's second heavenly manifestation.

Another centennial celebration was held April 6, 1930, in commemoration of the organization of the Church at the Peter Whitmer Farm in Fayette Township, New York. On July 24, 25, and 26, a pageant called "Footprints on the Sands of Time" was given on a hill back of the Joseph Smith home. During the same year the Church acquired title to the Hill Cumorah and erected a 40-foot monument of the angel Moroni, atop the hill.

Origin of Pageant

The first pageant at the Hill Cumorah, entitled "Truth from the Earth," was held in 1936. In reverse of the present arrangement, the audience sat upon the hill and looked down upon the performance. The next year, "America's Witness for Christ" was written by Dr. H. Wayne Driggs of New York City and presented under the direction of Dr. Harold I. Hansen, the present director.

The pageant was discontinued in 1942 because of World War II, but was renewed again in 1948.

Y Graduation Exercises Slated Aug. 21

Summer commencement exercises will be held August 21 in the Joseph Smith auditorium at 7 p.m., according to Dr. Ariel S. Ballif, dean of the Summer School. Approximately 150 graduates will receive Bachelor's degrees, and 45 will receive the Master's degree.

Music for commencement is being arranged by Dr. John R. Halliday with J. J. Keeler at the organ.

The academic procession will start at 6:45 p.m. from the Maeser building to the Joseph Smith auditorium. Dr. C. J. Hart will officiate and Elder Mark E. Petersen will be the main speaker.

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS by Bibler

"Worthal's not a fast player, but there's a great piece of deception in the way he can swallow air."

The Safety Valve

BY THE READERS

Door and Honor Bent

Dear Editor:

Does the Honor System go out of effect in summer school? The Honor System, I realize, is a personal thing. But it seems to me that when one caves in the door of a car parked innocently in front of the Joseph Smith building and does nothing to make amends, a breach of honor is evident.

It seems to me that students have enough expense just keeping a car on the road without the added expense of repairing someone else's carelessness.

I am the victim of such an accident and the worst part is that it is my mother's car and the explanation was most difficult.

Junius Hamblin

Participation of 150 Students Reported in Forensic Activities

A report of Brigham Young University forensic activities for the 1952-53 school year was made today by Dr. J. LaVar Bateman, director of BYU forensic activities.

Approximately 150 students participated in 451 events with 434 different student entries. Of the entries in the various forensic activities, 170 students entered in debate, 23 in discussion, 69 in oratory, 63 in extemporaneous speaking, 31 in impromptu speaking, 32 in radio speaking, and 63 in miscellaneous events.

Under the direction of the Forensic Council, the Student Forensic Association sent students to 15 meets, of which six were held on BYU campus, four within the state, and five outside the state. Students participated in at least 273 contest debaes.

Eight persons placed several times in important forensic meets, according to Dr. Bateman. These students and their number of placements in award brackets include Weston Edwards, Provo, 8; Joyce Gustafson, Alameda, Calif., 7; Charles Orr, American Fork, 5; Eldon Haag, also of American Fork, 5; Bonnie Jean Turner, Hillsboro, Ore., 5; Gerry Asplund, Lethbridge, Alberta, Can., 4; Lorna Nielson, Ogden, 4; and Carolyn Jensen, Tremonton, 3.

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Order Caps and Gowns For Doctor's, Master's By August 11

Orders for Master's caps and gowns and Doctor's outfits should be placed with the bookstore immediately, according to H. Neil McKnight, bookstore manager. Delivery cannot be guaranteed on any orders taken after August 11.

Candidates for the Bachelor's degree need not place orders for their caps and gowns, as these outfits can be rented directly from the bookstore one week before graduation.

Orders for announcements and name cards are now being taken at the bookstore. These will be available in plenty of time for mailing.

BYU Graduate Awarded NY Scholarship

Hugh Lynn Oldham, Brigham Young University marketing major, has been admitted to New York University School of Retailing, and has been awarded a Store Service Scholarship, it was announced today.

A native of Paradise, Utah, Mr. Oldham is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Oldham of that city. He will work towards the degree of Master of Retailing at NYU beginning fall quarter.

Mr. Oldham served with the U. S. Armed Forces in Japan from 1946-48, and fulfilled a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints there from 1949-52. He is a member of Delta Phi, returned missionary fraternity.

He was awarded the Sears Cash Award of $50 spring quarter for being judged the most outstanding student in the BYU College of Commerce. He is married to the former Nancy Wiscombe of Pleasant Grove.

Awards Will Assist Needy Students

Deserving students who cannot attend school because of financial difficulties will find their collegiate roads a little less rocky under a new Achievement Award plan devised by the BYU Alumni Association.

The plan provides a means whereby those who have may help defray college expenses of those who have not by purchasing an award and presenting it to the student-to-be of their choice. The award certificates are available at the Alumni office in the Maeser building and may be purchased for one quarter or a full year.

Alumni officials said that inadequate finances forced more than 700 students to leave school last year. Countless others did not even consider enrolling because of lack of funds.

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Staff Members Named to Stake Positions

Two Brigham Young University staff members were appointed recently to positions in East Provo LDS Stake.

Robert B. Hellewell, assistant to the superintendent of buildings and grounds, was named bishop of the Provo 9th Ward. In this position he succeeds Harold W. Lee, head of the BYU department of modern languages, who was called last month to head the French Mission.

Eldin Ricks, instructor in religion, was named to the stake high council to fill the vacancy left by the release of Bishop Hellewell. He had recently returned to the campus after an extensive study tour of Europe, Egypt and Palestine.

Econ Workshop Held at BYU

The Utah Workshop on Economic Education at Brigham Young University opened Monday as teachers from Utah and surrounding areas met in Provo to gain a realistic knowledge of the American economic system.

Held under the direction of Dr. William F. Edwards, dean of the college of commerce and nationally-recognized economist, the three-week meet will feature some of the top figures in the field from throughout the nation.

According to Dr. Edwards, "The need for understanding and appreciation of the American system was never greater than it is today. There is virtually no problem confronting the citizen of today as voter, worker, or consumer that does not have economic implications. Our future strength and security are dependent basically upon the understanding and wisdom of Mr. Citizen."

He pointed out that 75 per cent of the state's youth end their education with high school, and only a small minority of them acquire any realistic knowledge of the economic system. Consequently, purposes of the workshop will be to improve economic understanding of the high school teacher, establishment of contact between teachers and leaders of business and labor, and aiding in preparation of better materials for the classroom.

Morning and evening lectures will be offered by leaders in the field, while afternoon sessions will be concerned with work on problems and curriculum—how to employ this knowledge in the classroom.

Special trips have been planned to Kennecott Copper Corporation and Columbia Steel Company.

Coming Up

Aug. 6, 7 p.m., Lambda Delta Sigma Hayride—Joseph Smith building.

Aug. 7, 12:15 p.m., Excursion to Salt Lake City Index Bureau—Joseph Smith building.

Aug. 7, 8:30 p.m., Clinic Band Concert—SAH.

Aug. 7, 9 p.m., Studentbody Dance—Ballroom.

Aug. 8, 8:30 p.m., Clinic Choral and Orchestra Concert—SAH.

Aug. 11, 7:30 p.m., MIA—SAH.

Aug. 14, 9 p.m., Priesthood Ball Rainbow Gardens.

Aug. 15, 5:30 p.m., Canyon Carnival—Vivian Park.

Aug. 16, 6 a.m., Sunrise Testimonial Service—Maeser Lawn.

Aug. 16, 10 a.m., East Provo Stake Conference—Tabernacle.

ROTC News

Summer Camp

by Don Oscarson

"Captains to the left of them,
Majors to the right of them
Yelled and thundered
And into the Summer Camps
walked the two hundred."

The beautiful California sunshine was overdoing herself that June day. With the temperature a consistent 106 degrees in the shade (which we never saw) we started our month's stay as guests of the United States Air Force.

As guests we were allowed to stay in bed until 6 a.m. but there was always some cadet who wanted to get some personal problems taken care of before the day started. We were never rushed in the broad sense of the word, we always had plenty of time to march and drill for an hour or two a day, or to have PT (the Air Force version of Phys. Ed.) or sit for hours in a hot stuffy room and hear about the organization of the garbage detail. It was little things that we weren't given time for, like sleeping, eating, dressing (we had to make three changes a day with the average time for each change about four minutes) and the rest.

But there were a few things which escaped the merciless attack of the cadets. No matter what you have heard, or think, about the food in the Air Force you will have a battle on your hands if you try and tell any cadet who went to Castle Air Force Base that the food was anything but excellent, that's what I said, EXCELLENT! Huge steaks, thousands of kinds of vegetables and fruits, all the ice

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Siamese Holiday

by Olive Kimball Burmingham

My Teaching Assignments in Siam

I was assigned to teach English to the students and teachers in two teacher training colleges in Bangkok, one for men and one for girls.

When a student reaches the equivalent of our seniors in high school, he has the choice, by taking examinations and so forth, of choosing either a teacher training college, which prepares him to teach school in the elementary grades, or of going to the university where he can receive a B.A. degree and teach in the secondary schools or a teacher training college, or else go on with work in his chosen field. There are three levels of Teacher Training Colleges: a third year college which prepares students to go into the provinces and teach in the lower elementary; a fourth year college; and a fifth year college which prepares a student for a better and more advanced placement. There are many colleges in Siam, most of them concentrated especially in Bangkak, but there is only one university in Siam. The university and some of the elementary schools are co-educational, but the teacher training colleges are either for the fellows or for the girls.

One of the teacher training colleges to which I was assigned was a girls' college, the Suan Suandha, and it was the largest college of its kind in Thailand. One division of the school was devoted to a co-educational group of very young elementary children, and then, completely separated from them(was a large group of secondary girl students. The third division was made up of teacher training students who were assigned to dormitories and who remained on the school compound for the school year. Of course, they could receive permission to leave and visit their relatives and friends during some of the more lengthy holiday periods.

The school year was from May 15 to March 26 with a three-week holiday in December and a six-week holiday during April and the early part of May. There were many one, two, or three-day holidays during the school year, some in honor of the king's or queen's birthdays, the birth of the royal prince or many holidays in honor of various religious activities.

I taught oral and written English and some English literature to the teacher training teachers and students. English is taught to these students from the early elementary grades, but the teachers who teach English are, on the whole, poorly qualified to teach this subject. The students and teachers have not had many opportunities to hear the American or European voice. They do not speak well, and they are afraid of trying to speak our language because they will make many mistakes. The material for the study of English is very made quate, and it is compiled in a very dry and uninteresting manner. It is compiled by the English who have not taken into account the complete difference in the background and culture of the Thai people as compared with the English background. Excerpts from some of the most difficult English writers and compiled in a series of little paper backed books for the study of "An Approach to English Literature." Of course, the Thai teacher has difficulty teaching her students about an excerpt from Ruskin's "How to Study" or Matthew Arnold's "Rugby Chapel" when she doesn't understand any of the references to Christianity or to the English customs.

Preparation for Exams

These students and many of the teachers do not understand "study" as we understand the term. An assignment can be given and apparently understood, but scarcely anyone bothers about getting it. According to our standards, these people are immature in their reasoning abilities. They have had to learn by rote and by memorization for so many centuries that they are frequently at a complete loss when faced with a simple question that requires a little reasoning for the answer. On the whole, these people are naive and childlike and they like to be entertained. They do not worry about their school work and will slide along until the examinations are due, then school will be dismissed for a week or two and the student will memorize questions or great portions of his texts. The schools are under the highly centralized and envolved Ministry of Education. The examinations are made up by this body, and the teachers coach their students about what they can expect so that the students will memorize the correct answers and make a good showing.

The Suan Suandha College was formerly an old palace where the king kept his favorite consorts. A high, gray-pink wall surrounded the grounds, and within these walls were a number of buildings. A group of two-story buildings, formerly the individual homes of some of the consorts, are now used for the dormitories of the boarding students. A long, large, gray three-story building was the main structure for the classrooms and offices, and from each row of classrooms ran a full-length cement veranda with an iron railing across the front of its length.

HAPPY NEW YEAR—Members of Thai Ballet welcome in new year with traditional dance.

I had a private office in the main building of this school, separated by only a partition from the large shared office of the teachers of the teacher training students. In the middle of my office was a little square table covered with a pink-flower-plastic cover. A vase of fresh flowers, a thermos of ice, and a pink pitcher of boiled water, and pink trimmed glasses on a tray, were kept on the square table.

Then, next to my room was a large, spacious, and quite formal sitting room with straight and stiff wooden couches on which were embroidered cloth, and surrounded by chairs on which were placed more of the pink cotton cushions, was in the middle of the room. In this room were pictures of the king, some of the important temples in Siam, and a show case displaying the school's trophies and souvenirs.

The combined office of the head mistress and the business office, with its show cases, pictures, and statues, adjoined the formal sitting room.

The dining room was some distance from the main classroom building. It was a large and spacious area with a roof but without any walls. There were long rows of tables and benches, and all those taking meals there were taken care of in a short time. The dormitory students and their supervisors went to their separate buildings for their meals.

A klong ran through the center of the grounds and winding pathways went through thickly planted shrubs and flowers. In front of the main classroom building was a spacious lawn which ended in a man-made hill covered with trees and shrubs and that had a flagpole with the national flag on the hill's highest point. Every morning at nine o'clock the students lined up in front of this hill, and while the flag was being raised, they all sang the national anthem. After the song, they filed into their classrooms and spent a few minutes in prayer to and contemplation of Buddha before the class work started.

College for Men

The Prasarnmit College for men was the second school to which I was assigned. It was a fairly new and modern building, quite the opposite from the girls college. This was a five year teacher training college, but the boys who desired to could graduate at the end of the three-year required period and teach in the primary grades. The other students went ahead and completed the five-year term.

I had a private office at this school also. Sometimes a servant would carry my lunch a long distance from the cooking area across the compound to the building where I had my office. After I made it clear to the head master and the teachers that I liked their food and would like to join them, I often went with them to their thatched-roofed dining hall. The men teachers would sit at one end of the table while the three women teachers remained at the other end of the table. The conversation would be carried on chiefly by the men, but sometimes the women would join in.

The head master of the Prasarnmit College was a new man who had recently returned from the United States. He had received his master's and his doctor's degrees from the Ohio State University. He had a clear understanding of what the Siamese students lacked and what needed to be done, but he was faced with the highly centralized Ministry of Education and the many problems that confront any country that attempts to change or broaden its educational system.

Five Programs Remain To Be Presented in Lecture Series

Five lectures are yet to be given in the summer assembly and lyceum series of programs at Brigham Young University.

Henry Newmann, widely recognized ethical worker, will conclude his lecture series with two lectures today. One will be given in assembly at 9:45 a.m. and the other at 8:15 p.m. in the Smith auditorium.

I. Keith Tyler, director of the Office of Radio Education at Ohio State University, will lecture at 9:45 Tuesday.

Harvey L. Taylor, executive assistant to the president at BYU, will address next Thursday's assembly.

J. C. Moffitt, superintendent of Provo City Schools, will present the remaining lecture program Tuesday, Aug. 18, at 9:45 a.m.

Mr. Newmann's attitude on ethics is characterized by a statement he made in the assembly program Tuesday: "No matter what your religious denomination may be, stand up for your religious philosophy and bring what is good into the service of your fellow men."

Mr. Tyler, the second remaining lecturer, "possibly stands tops in the United States in the field of radio and television education in the schools," according to Dr. Ariel S. Ballif, dean of the Summer School at BYU. Mr. Tyler is teaching two classes at BYU this summer on television and radio for the classroom.

He has been meeting with public groups in Utah to arouse interest in the educational television channel. He has also been giving help in adult education by radio and television medium.

Mr. Taylor made an outstanding success as head of the school system in Mesa, Ariz., prior to coming to the Y to assist the president in executive duties.

Summer Music. . .

15th Music Festival Ends; Concert Climaxes Clinic

A band concert Friday night and a choral and orchestra concert Saturday night will climax the Fifteenth Annual Summer Music Festival and the two weeks' Music Clinic activities at Brigham Young University. Both concerts will be held at 8:15 p.m. in the Smith auditorium.

Bernard Fitzgerald, director of the University of Texas Symphonic Band, will be the guest conductor for the band concert tomorrow evening. Norman J. Hunt, director of Brigham Young University Bands, will also conduct at the band concert.

Olaf C. Christiansen, conductor of the St. Olaf Choir, will guest conduct the choral and orchestra concert Saturday evening. Sharing podium honors with him will be Henry von der Heide, conductor of the Boise Civic Symphony Orchestra.

The guest conductors have been in residence at BYU for the Music Clinic which has had an enrollment of approximately 113 students and 35 music supervisors, according to Lawrence Sardoni, director of the clinic.

The group comes from nine states—Nevada, Idaho, Wyoming, Arizona, Michigan, Colorado, California, New Mexica, and Utah.

The public is invited to these concerts climaxing the BYU summer music activities.

Prof Ed Fraternity To Hold Luncheon On Maeser Lawn

Members of Phi Delta Kappa, professional education fraternity, will hold a luncheon meeting Tuesday on the sloping lawn south of the Maeser building. The meeting is set for 1 noon, according to Dr. Henry L. Isaksen, president.

Each member should bring his own sack lunch and a drink will be provided by the committee in charge.

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I Like It Here...

Swiss Miss Discovers America's Friendly Bliss

by Elsa Rohrig

(Ed. Note: Elsa Rohrig, the writer of this article, is the first member of her family in eleven generations to break away from the Calvinist Church. Those eleven generations have produced nineteen ministers of that faith. Elsa is an active genealogist and, since coming to Utah, has traced part of her family back to the sixteenth century.)

My first contact with American life was on the boat "United States" leaving from LeHarve, France. There the feeling came upon me that, for a while at least, I would be one of the greenest horns that ever walked on the American continent. I was right.

ELSA ROHRIG
. . . She likes America.

The troubles already began at the breakfast table. I sat in front of a big menu card, puzzled and scared. I never had heard the names of American food and never in my life had I eaten meat or cereal for breakfast. My neighbor, a young student from New York noticed my difficulties and helped me. My first American help! A help that you Americans give so freely and with unmatchable kindness. There, in Le Harve, even before the boat had left the harbor, I had started to love the country that was going to be my second homeland and that is the dream of all the young European people. America, the country of unlimited possibilities.

After a journey of three and a half days through a very stormy ocean, we landed in New York, where, for five days, I could not think of anything else to do than open my eyes and ears to the fascinating things around me. I was speechless when I watched the buildings, the traffic and the busy people. The feeling of being very green and getting greener overwhelmed me. Coming from a country in which the biggest town has about 350,000 inhabitants and in which life moves slower, where there is more time for everything, I began to understand the American slogan, "Time is Money."

Customs Different

An average Swiss family does not own a home, a car nor a television set. These things can be acquired only by wealthier people. Nearly everybody lives in apartment houses and rides a bicycle to go to work or to school. I soon realized that the American customs, ways and conceptions of life were different than in my homeland. Switzerland, a small country of only 4,500,000 inhabitants, practically completely covered with mountains, is a country of traditions and customs. The whole mentality, and I think even the sense of humor is different.

After five wonderful days in New York I started my trip west and when I entered Salt Lake City, I felt right at home. The mountains, similar to our Alps but not as high, greeted me and invited me to stay. I stayed and never regretted it. I had left my family and country to come to Brigham Young University in order to continue my studies, to live in the atmosphere and absorb the spirit which I had heard was at the Y. I was not disappointed. I found it in abundance. In addition I found kindness, friendliness, unselfishness, wonderful teachers and true friends.

We Swiss people are very proud of our schools and try very hard not to get jealous when some one else pretends to possess better schools. After having tasted Swiss college life, I left the country with the assurance that I would knock the whole Y over. Believe me, I changed my mind very soon.

The Swiss school system is different than the American. In order to be able to attend a university, a student has to go through five years of elementary school, three years of progymnasium, which I would call junior college, and in which he takes obligatory subjects (group requirements). The gymnasium student stays between 30 to 35 hours in school a week. Only after having graduated from there he will be allowed to go to a university.

The schedule being so heavy, a student very seldom works during school and is very courageous if he gets married while studying.

I will never forget my first day of school at the Y. After class the students stood around the teacher and, very freely, he talked to them. I was shocked! Back home, a professor is a human being that has to be treated with a lot of formalities. Here a professor is your friend who is always heady to help.

I am very grateful that missionaries knocked on our door in Switzerland, for without the testimony that they helped me to gain, I would not be here among you. Through the gospel I have been able to enjoy the great opportunities of the Y and to mingle with students that are an inspiration to everybody.

LDS Sponsors Hayride, Party

A hayride and dance are on tonight's agenda for the studentbody, under the sponsorship of Lambda Delta Sigma.

Those going are asked to meet at the Smith building at 7 p.m. Following the hayride, the group will return to the West Lounge of the Social Hall, where there will be dancing and refreshments to conclude the evening.

Ariel Williams and Mary Jane Marsden are in charge of the affair. There will be a small charge.

A testimony meeting for Lambda Delta Sigma members and their friends will be held Sunday at 8 p.m. Weather conditions permitting, the meeting will be held on the west lawn of the Maeser building. In case of rain, it will be held in the Smith building.

Summer Camp

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cream you could eat, and on, and on, and on. The nice thing about it was, you could have all you wanted of anything they had so long as you ate it all. The officer of the base opened the Officers' Club to the Cadets and we had use of the swimming pool almost every night while the camp theatre offered the latest movies (a different one each night) for the price of 25 cents.

Time passed and so did physicals, drill, and all the rest. The men began to take on the appearance of the fatigues they wore. The cadets started looking like airmen. Their shoulders straightened; their opinions were kept silent, and the only words they now said to an officer were "No excuse, Sir." They were being trained.

The camp at Castle Air Force Base went out of its way to make the stay an interesting one for the cadets. All the cadets spent at least six hours in the air. Three in the big B-50 bombers and three in the smaller planes. All were allowed to fly these planes themselves.

The men found a real friend in the Bishop of the nearby ward. They were invited to all the Church meetings and affairs, and the ward held special parties and picnics for those stationed at the base. There was special transportation and passes arranged for in order to attend MIA and other functions sponsored by the ward.

As the camp drew to a close the men were beginning to learn a few tricks of military life, like sleeping on the floor so they wouldn't have to make their beds, sneezing as an officer walked by to escape saluting, and the arts which come only with experience.

No matter how much cadets complain, no matter how much they lead you to believe that the time was wasted, all will agree that the camp was a good experience and will have its effect upon the entire detachment here at BYU. There is a life in morale, a lightness of heart, a pride which is felt by every man at the end of day when he puts on his clean uniform and marches behind the band. There is a pride that swells his chest and lifts his tired body as he stands and watches Old Glory taken down for another day.

Attending School

Lt. Col. Jesse E. Stay, professor of Air Science and Tactics at Brigham Young University, is attending an air ground coordination school at Silver Pines, N.C. His schooling will last approximately ten days.

Lt. Col. Homer P. Andersen has checked out at BYU and has gone to take up his newly-appointed position as associate professor of Air Science and Tactics at Branch Agricultural College, Cedar City.

LET'S MAKE MUSIC— (L. to R.) Bernard Fitzgerald, band and brass authority from University of Texas, discusses band directors' problems with Felton Hickman and Merrill Durfee, music directors from University of Nevada and Mission Bay high school at San Diego, respectively.

Clinic Enjoyed...

Music Clinic Participants Found To Be Enthusiastic

Students attending the current BYU Summer Music Clinic are enjoying their new-found friends and acquaintances from several states. In addition to their choral, orchestral, and band work in the clinic, they have attended numerous social events which include dancing, concerts, lectures, swimming parties, and a hiking trip.

Some of the clinic students were interviewed by a UNIVERSE reporter and their comments on this year's clinic are as follows:

Gaye Marchat, high school student, Peoa, and Shanna Rae Mathers, high school student, Loa, both say that Music Clinic is a taste of college life and they love it.

LaMar Porter, high school student, Lyman Wyo., is studying bass horn in the band and is also in the chorus. He says that the BYU clinic has more friendly people in it than in any other place. This is his first year here.

Gilbert Bodrak, high school student, Mullan, Ida., is attending the clinic for his second year. He states that a better schedule has been planned for the students this year than ever before. He plays a clarinet in the band and is also in the chorus.

Stadium Site Of Summer Field Fetes

Saturday afternoon the studentbody will stage the annual summer Field Day on the stadium field north of the fieldhouse.

The event, scheduled for 3 p.m., will feature relay races of various types, volleyball competition, pie-eating contest, and a watermelon bust among the afternoon's activities. Both the fearless and the faint-hearted will find amusement in the projected program and the whole studentbody is encouraged to attend, according to studentbody president, Andy Douglass.

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